

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

<b>Application No.:</b>	10/575,904	<b>Examiner:</b>	Watson, Robert C.
<b>Filing Date:</b>	April 14, 2006	<b>Art Unit:</b>	3723
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<b>Attorney No.:</b>	YONE3024/JJC/PMB	<b>Confirm. No.:</b>	5549
<b>For:</b>	<b>POSITIONING APPARATUS AND CLAMPING SYSTEM HAVING THE SAME</b>		

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**  
**OF NOVEMBER 15, 2007**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is responsive to the Office Action dated November 15, 2007 in the above application.

In view of the following amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

AMENDMENT

Please amend the pending application in accordance with the following particulars.

In the Claims

The claims are amended as shown on the following pages under the heading LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS. The list shows the status of all claims presently in the application and is intended to supersede all prior versions of the claims in the application. Any cancellation of claims is made without prejudice or disclaimer.